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SUBJ: SYRIA WILL NOT ADMIT KURDISH REFUGEES

1. IN MEETING WITH COS SHIHABI MARCH 27, ASKED WHETHER IRAQI KURDS WERE SEEKING REFUGE IN SYRIA AS WELL AS IN TURKEY. SHIHABI SAID NONE HAD SOUGHT REFUGE HERE BUT WERE THEY TO DO SO SYRIA WOULD REFUSE IT. HE NOTED THAT OVER PAST SEVERAL YEARS IT HAS BEEN SYRIAN POLICY TO DILUTE CONCENTRATION OF SYRIAN KURDS IN NORTHEASTERN AREA OF SYRIA. GOVERNMENT HAS ESTABLISHED NEW VILLAGES IN THE KURDISH AREA FOR SYRIAN ARAB FARMERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAJOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE EUPHRATES BASIN.

2. SHIHABI ASSERTED THAT SYRIAN KURDS WERE INCREASINGLY WELL INTEGRATED INTO THE FABRIC OF SYRIAN SOCIETY INCLUDING FREQUENT INTERMARRIAGE WITH ARAB MOSLEMS.
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